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### Department of the Interior

U. S. Land Office at Las Cruces, N. M., December 6, 1921.

NOTICE is hereby given that Callen

R. Earp, of Gage, New Mexico, who on November 21, 1916, made Homestead Entry No. 014247, for N½, Sec. 21, and on November 24, 1920, made Additional Homestead Entry No. 017428, for SE¼NE¼; W¼SE¼; SW¼, Sec. 21; NE¼NE¼, Section 28, Township 24S, Range 12W, N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before R. Y. McKeyes, U. S. Commissioner, at Deming, N. M., on the 25th. day of January, 1922.

Claimant names as witnesses:  
Fred S. Case, William L. Bradley, James M. Todhunter, Shelby Phillips, all of Gage New Mexico.

NEMECIA ASCARATE,  
Register.  
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### IN THE PROBATE COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO IN AND FOR LUNA COUNTY.

In the Matter of the Estate of BENT LARSON, Deceased.  
FORBATE No. 227  
NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that there is now on file in the office of the Clerk of the Probate Court of Luna County, New Mexico, the final report and accounting of Louisa Larson, Executrix of the estate of Bent Larson, deceased, and further notice is given that said final report and accounting will come on for hearing before said Court at Deming, New Mexico, at the regular January term thereof on the second day of January A. D. 1922.

LOUISA LARSON Executrix.  
By her attorney FRED SHERMAN.

### IN THE PROBATE COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO IN AND FOR LUNA COUNTY.

In the Matter of the Estate of JANE SARAH STRICKLER, Deceased.  
Probate No. 198  
NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that there is now on file in the office of the Clerk of the Probate Court of Luna County, New Mexico, the final report and accounting of J. Lewis Brown, Executor of the estate of Sarah Jane Strickler, deceased, and further notice is given that said final report and accounting will come on for hearing before said Court at Deming, New Mexico, at the regular January term thereof on the second day of January, A. D. 1922.

J. LEWIS BROWN, Executor.  
By his attorney, FRED SHERMAN.

## Christmas Festival

THE INSTITUTION of the festival of the birth of the Saviour is attributed by some authorities to Pope Telesphorus, who died A. D. 138.

In the early days of the Christian religion it was one of the most movable of feasts, being often confounded with the Epiphany and celebrated by the eastern churches in April and May. In the Fourth century the urgency of St. Cyril of Jerusalem obtained from Pope Julius I. an order for an investigation to be made concerning the day of Christ's nativity. The result of the inquiry, made by theologians of the East and the West, was an agreement upon the twenty-fifth of December.

As told in the gospel of St. Luke, Christ was born in the night. Therefore, divine service is performed on the night of December 24-25. It is the custom in Roman Catholic churches to usher in Christmas day by the celebration of three masses, one at midnight, the second at early dawn, and the third in the morning. This custom dates from the sixth century.

Preparatory to Christmas the bells are rung at midnight throughout England and the continent. After the solemn celebration of the mass in the churches of the continent, which are magnificently adorned for the festival, it is customary for the worshippers to partake of a collation.

## Hard Christmases for G. Washington

NO ONE has told us much about George Washington's Christmases. But from the record of his life we learn how he spent some of his Christmas days.

It was a very cold Christmastide in 1777 at Valley Forge. Snow was on the hills. Everything was frozen. And Washington's army was in great need of food, clothing and shelter.

Instructions of parties of men to go foraging for food are entered in the orderly book for that Christmas day at Valley Forge, which was "everything but merry for Washington."

Still more desperate were the food conditions at Morristown, in 1778, when Washington reported that his army was on half allowance and near starvation. "We have never experienced a like extremity at any period of the war," declared Washington, pleading that food be sent.

There was a welcome Christmas present for Washington and his men at New Windsor in 1780 when a big Christmas wagon came with over 2,000 shirts and other comforts made by Philadelphia women patriots—things needed by the men under Washington, who were cheerfully suffering all sorts of hardship in order that this country might be free. The Philadelphia women also raised, that year, over \$300,000 in aid of the soldiers.

The fine old Colonial mansion (the Craigie house) in Cambridge, Mass., (now widely known as the home of Henry W. Longfellow), was the place where Washington spent his first Christmas as commander of the Revolutionary army in 1775. Mrs. Washington was there with him (as she was later at Valley Forge), and there was some pleasure in the midst of the heavy cares and responsibilities carried by the great Washington.

A year later Christmas day found Washington at the head of his 2,400 brave men making his celebrated crossing of the Delaware river, nine miles above Trenton. The snow and sleet were blinding, it is recorded, and the cold was intense. But he was brave.

Wherever he was at Christmastide, Washington was cheered with the thought that the cause of the struggling colonies would surely win. A few days before Christmas, 1776, he wrote to his older brother, John Augustine Washington: "Between you and me, our affairs are in a very bad situation. However, under a full persuasion of the justice of our cause, I cannot entertain an idea that it will finally sink, though it may remain for some time under a cloud."

Washington must have had some very merry Christmases at Mount Vernon. There were no children of his own with whom Washington could romp. But we can easily imagine the big-hearted general putting on a false beard of fuzzy white whiskers and slinging a pack over his back for the delight of the little ones in the neighborhood.

General Washington was truly the "Father of His Country," and we have a very good idea of the sort of holiday spirit in which he observed the "glad Christmastide" when our republic was in its infancy.

No one in all our bright history as a nation has handed down a more radiant Christmas message of hope and faith.

### Chestnuts Stewed in Gravy.

Roll the large chestnuts for ten minutes, take them out, shell and peel them, having care to break them as little as possible. Skin and strain the liquor in which the gills were boiled, season it to taste with salt and pepper, and to a pint of it add a tablespoonful of browned flour rubbed smooth with a teaspoonful of butter. In this gravy place the peeled chestnuts and let them simmer ten or fifteen minutes at the side of the stove. Serve as a vegetable.—The Delicatessen.

### LEADERS NOT GREAT TALKERS

Jefferson's Testimony is That Neither Washington Nor Franklin Wasted Words in Debate.

More than a century ago Thomas Jefferson said: "I served with Gen. Washington in the legislature of Virginia, before the revolution and during it, with Dr. Franklin in congress. I never heard either of them speak ten minutes at a time, nor to any but the main point, which was to decide the question."

"They laid their shoulders to the great points, knowing that the little ones would follow of themselves. If the present congress errs in too much talking, how can it be otherwise? In a body to which the people send 150 lawyers, whose trade is to question everything, yield nothing, and talk by the hour? That 150 lawyers should do business together ought not to be expected."

Multiply the above by four, add several hundred new subjects for debate, divide into two parties and you have the national legislature in the year of grace 1920, remarks the Home Sector. Probably it could be calculated by an efficient expert that the amount of energy, time, money and lung power wasted in one session by congress would be enough to drain every swamp in this country, irrigate every barren acre and rescue and educate every child laborer, with enough left over then to support and train every wounded doughboy.

As it is, small wonder that gentle knocks at the door of congress are frowned out by the oratorical uproar inside.

### OLD AND NEW CHRISTMAS DAY

Nobody Has Been Able to Decide Whether January 5 or December 25 is Correct Date.



CHRISTMAS day seems wedded to December 25. A summer or a springtime Christmas, with no holly, no mistletoe, no frost, no snow, would not be the real thing at all, observes London Answers.

The majority of our beautiful Christmas carols, too, redolent as they are of the winter—"Sung Amid the Winter's Snow"—would be hopelessly incongruous. Emigrants to Australia from the mother country have confessed that it has taken them many years before they could get in any way used to what is practically a mid-summer Christmas.

Yet December 25 is merely an accommodation date for the birthday of Christ—Christmas day. The year, too, is wrong. Most people would take it for granted that Christ was born in A. D. 1—literally, of course, the year of our Lord, No. 1.

But our chronology is four years out. This should be 1925 and not 1921, because Christmas day could not, on indisputable historical testimony, have been later than February B. C. 4.

That settles the year of the first Christmas, but all attempts to fix the actual day and month of Christmas have failed.

And, as regards the present date, Christmas, like Easter, took some centuries before a settlement was arrived at. In the first centuries of Christianity several important Eastern churches observed January 6 as Christmas day. The Armenians—Christians do so still.

Gradually, however, uniformity was attained, but not before the Fifth century. In that connection it must be remembered that for quite a long period this country was divided on the question of Christmas. Some people persisted in observing "old" Christmas day.

But all will agree that December 25, even if it is not the actual date of Christ's birth, is a happy choice.

Our present-day Christmas, festival and holiday, breaks the long winter, and what better time could there be for family reunions? The cold and unpleasantness outside make it all the more agreeable to keep warm and snug inside. It keeps us together in every sense.

### THE CHRISTMAS TREE CUSTOM

Use of the Young Evergreens is Regarded More as a Matter of Sentiment, Not of Economics.



EVERY year some mathematical calculator figures out that this country would be several billions richer if, as a nation, we abolished the good old custom of the Christmas tree. Yes, in actual dollars and cents valuation of our natural resources the United States probably would be more wealthy for the continued growth of the evergreens. However, we believe no better return ever came from trees than the true joy which all mankind gets from Christmas trees at this the greatest of all holiday seasons.

Nearly 3,000,000 young evergreens go upon the Christmas-tree market each year, 1,500,000 in New York and the New England states alone, and it is an easy matter for an enthusiast who is quick with the pencil to figure up the waste in our natural resources by the annual loss of this embryonic timber. The economic consideration is not entirely indefensible, for in the Northeastern states particularly a big proportion of the trees come from pasture land or that which would be cleared in the ordinary course of improvement. Later, these trees would be cut anyway. Of course, wholesale destruction over watershed areas should be discouraged as in any forestry activity, but it must be remembered that the Christmas-tree custom is one of sentiment, not of economics.—American Agriculturist.

### Christmas Games

MISTLETOE. Hang it up. Form a circle. A slipper is required.

Also a nice, slippery floor. The first player slides the slipper. He tries to land it under the mistletoe. If he fails another makes the attempt. If he succeeds there is a lively scramble. It concerns the young lady toward whom the slipper points. She must seize it and get away before caught. Then the guests are given humorous gifts (previously wrapped), and are admitted (one at a time) to the Christmas room to deposit them in the stockings.

Another jolly game is played with Christmas stockings, a number of which are previously hung up.

These are placed in a separate room and the name of the person for whom each is intended is concealed upon it. Another Christmas stocking game calls for a huge stocking of tough tissue paper filled with toys of all kinds. Each guest is blindfolded, given a light rod or cane, turned three times around and told to hit the bag. The first to break the stocking gives the signal for a general scramble, each guest being supposed to get one of the trinkets or souvenirs thus scattered.